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(SUBJECT)

Trees — Dhupa trees (S. Kanara):
from Kumaki lands. increase
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Ref.C.No. 1959-41-B1. South Kanara Collector's Office,

Camp Karkal, dated 1- 5 - 1941.

From

M. V. Subrahmanyan Esq., I.C.S.,

Collector of South Kanara.

To

The Secretary to the Board,

Land Revenue & Irrigation,

M a d r a s.

Through

The Chief Cinservator of Forests,

M a d r a s.

Sir,

Trees - Dhupa trees - Extraction from kumaki lands - Seigniorage fee -revision -proposals.

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Of late there has been in this District a strong demand for soft-woods, especially of the so called Dhupa or "Vateria Indica" variety and a number of trees of this variety exist on kumaki lands. Consequently, applications are being received by Tahsildars from outsiders (timber suppliers - other than kumakidars for grant of permission to extract dhupa trees existing on ----- Government lands lying within kumki limits on payment of the seigniorage fees now obtaining in the District. This rate is 1 anna, 9 pies, and 6 pies per c.ft., according as the village in which the trees lie, belong to the I Gr. II Gr. or the III Gr. respectively. The demand is admittedly due to the War as soft woods are utilized for War purposes. The Dt. Forest Officer, South Kanara, proposed that in view of this the present seigniorage fees for this species might be enhanced to annas 3/- per c.ft. and he also suggested the payment of anna 1 per c.ft. to the kumkidar by way of compensation for his kumki privilege in respect of the trees that may be sold by Government.

2. The legal position clearly is that the Government have the right to dispose of trees on kumki land without the consent of the kumakidars and that no compensation is payable to kumakidars when trees on kumaki lands are disposed of by the

Government. I therefore mentioned this to the Dt. Forest Officer and asked him to propose a proper rate on the footing that there will be no sharing-out with the ----- kumakidar. He has again recommended a rate of annas 3 per cubit feet.

3. I consider that the rate recommended by the Dt. Forest Officer is suitable and I consider also that in view of the War demand it would be appropriate to raise the seigniorage fee to that rate.

4. In order to safeguard the interests of kumakidars, however, the Tahsildars will be instructed to see that due regard is had to any objections that kumakidars may urge, before trees are ordered to be sold.

5. The Dt. Forest Officer has also recommended that only trees of four feet or over in girth at breast height may be extracted. I agree to this proposal.

6. I request that the Board may be pleased to approve of the proposals made above.

For Collector.

3/5/41

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Ref.No.4090/41-C2

Chepauk, Madras,
10- 5- 1941.

Forwarded to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

2. The maximum rates fixed under the seigniorage rules (printed at page 145 of the Forest Manual) are:

Re.0-1-0 per c.ft. in rough or squared
and Re.0-1-6 " if sawn.

In accordance with the Collector's recommendation the rates may be enhanced as follows:-

Re. 0-3-0 per c.ft. in rough or squared
and Re. 0-4-6 " if sawn.

3. The seigniorage rules empower the Collector to reduce the rates, but as enhancement is proposed in this case, the sanction of Government may be obtained.

Sd/- V.G.Darrington,
for Chief Conservator of Forests.

To the Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
Land Revenue and Irrigation, Madras.

/True Copy/
/By Order/

12/5/41
Superintendent.

DRAFT FOR APPROVAL, Mr Avs

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SUBJECT :— Trees - Dhupa trees (S. Kanara) - Extraction from Kumaki lands - Seigniorage fee - Revision - Proposal submitted

DESPATCHED 10 JUN 1941

READ AGAIN ____ dated ____ 19____

" ____ " ____ 19____

AD *ALSO* :—

No. ____ From the C. C. F., Regn., No. 4097/41-C2, dated 10-5-1941 A pp 1-2

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Refce ~~Order~~ Resolution ~~Ms.~~ Rout. No. B. 1917/41-1, dated 7.6.41. 19____

Submitted to The Govt.

2. ~~The Board is of~~ ~~the opinion that~~ The proposal appears to be unacceptable because it sets an example of profiteering which Govt ~~is~~ are trying to prevent in the individual.

KN 6/6/41

To The Secy to Govt R.D.

6/6 KN 6/6

R.C.J. 1959-41-B1. South Kanara Collector's Office

Bangalore, 17th June 1941.

From

M. V. Subrahmanyan, Esq., I.C.S.,

Collector of South Kanara.

The Secretary to the Board,

Land Revenue and Irrigation,

Madras.

Sir,

Trees - Dhupa trees - Extraction from kumaki lands --- seigniorage fee - revision - Proposals.

Ref:- This office R.C.J.1959-41-B1, dated 1st May 1941.

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In my letter cited above, I had proposed the increase of -- the seigniorage rate for dhupa trees to Re.0-3-0 per cubic feet -- owin to the acute demand for the tree on account of war.

2. The District Forest Officer brings to notice that the --- demand for dhupa trees is very great at the present moment and -- that the Koninoor Saw Mills, Beliapatam who have Army orders --- will shortly be entering into a contract with the forest department for the purchase of 10,000 C.ft. of dhupa at Re.0-4-0 per cubic feet to be extracted from the --- unreserves near Parappa and that they are ready to take any ---- quantity up to 75,000 C.Ft. He has had offers from others also which he has turned down as they had no Army orders. He ------ suggests that the rate of seigniorage should be increased to --- Re.0-4-0 per cubic feet.

3. The war has created a market for this tree which was --- hitherto considered as of no value in South Kanara. I, therefore, recommend that in the circumstances the seigniorage may be ----- increased to Re.0-4-0 per cubic feet.

For Collector.

17.6.41

Mr S.C.W

Trees — Dhupa trees (S. Kanara) — Extraction from kumaki lands — Seigniorage fee — revision — further report submtd.

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from the Collr of S. Kanara Rve. 1959/41-B1 d. 17-6-41

Refce B. 1917/41-1 d. 24-6-41

Submitted to the Govt in continuation of the Board Refce B. 1917/41-1 d. 7-6-41

To the Secy to Govt R.D

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N Dis B. 2766/41 — to the Collr.
9.7.41

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
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Abstract.

Trees - 'Dhupa' trees - (South Kanara) - Extraction from Kumaki lands - Increase in Seigniorage fee - Proposals - Orders ~~xxxx~~ passed.—

J.B.B

Sub :- Same as above.
B. 2440/41 — 9 p 5 cf
B. 3387/41 — 12 p 9 cf
Resln No. 2285 d. 18.8.41
~~Communicated to Collr of S.Kanara~~
Recorded.

~~To Collr of S. Kanara.~~

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1793, **, dated,** the 6th August **1941.**

ENCLOSURES
No. P 36 P 37 cf

READ the following paper :—

From the Board of Revenue, Ref. B.No. 1917/41-1 dated 7-6-41
1917/41-2 ,, 24-6-41

O R D E R:

The Government have considered the proposals of the Collector to raise the seigniorage rates to 3 or (alternatively) to 4 annas per cubic foot. They consider that the seigniorage fee should be raised to 3 annas per cubic foot. No portion of this amount need be paid to the Kumakidar.

/By Order of His Excellency the Governor/

A.R.C. WESTLAKE,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, Collector of South Kanara.
,, Development Department.
,, Accountant General through Finance.

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/True Copy/
Forwarded.
/By Order/

Superintendent.

TJT.

OFFICE OF THE ...
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MADRAS

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Revenue Department,
Fort St. George,
Dated, the 5th August 1941.

My dear Subrahmanyan,

Trees - Dhupa trees - (South Kanara) - Extraction from Kumaki lands - Seigniorage fees - Revision - Proposals.

Ref: Your letters to the Board of Revenue, Ref.C.No.1959-41-B.1 dated 1-5-1941 and No.Roc.1959-41-B-1 dated 17-6-1941.

I am to refer to your References to the Board and to say that Government have approved the proposal to raise the seigniorage fees on dhupa trees extracted from kumaki lands to 3 annas per cubic foot.

I am to add that Government presume that the existing practice in regard to sale of trees from kumaki lands will be followed and that objections from kumakidars will be taken into consideration.

Yours sincerely,

A.R.C. WESTLAKE,

M.V. Subrahmanyan, Esq., I.C.S.,
Collector of South Kanara.

Copy to the Secretary, Board of Revenue.
Forwarded. /By Order/

Superintendent. 8/8

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Trees - (S. Kanara) - Dhupa trees - Extraction fr Kumaki lands - Seigniorage fee - revision - proposals.

B. 1917/41

p1 CF — From the Collr of S. Kanara d. 1.5.41 and fr
p2 CF — " C.C.F. d. 10-5-41.

To Abstract

The proposals in the file relate to the enhancement of seigniorage fee in regard to 'Dhupa' trees in S. Kanara dt. The Collr p1 CF reports that on account of the present war there is a strong demand for 'Dhupa' trees which are available in plenty in kumaki lands. The present rate of seigniorage is p6 CF & (N) 1 anna, 9 pies and 6 pies per c. ft., according as the village in which the trees lie, belong to the I Gr, II Gr or III Gr respectively. The Collr with the concurrence of the Dt Forest Off p2 CF has proposed to raise the rate to 3 annas per c. ft and recommends that only trees of four feet over in girth at breast height may be extracted. ~~He also states that the Taluk~~ ~~will be instructed to see that due regard is~~ had to any objections that kumakidars may urge before trees are ordered to be felled.

p1 CF — The Collr states that the Govt have the right to dispose of trees on kumaki land without the consent of the kumaki-

dars when trees on kumaki lands are disposed of by the Govt. He however reports that the Tahsr will be instructed to see that due regard is had to any objections that kumakidars may urge, before trees are ordered to be sold. p2 c4-

The maximum rates fixed under the seigniorage rules for the variety in question are p145 g1

Re 01-0 per c.ft in rough or squared
and Re 01-6 " if sawn.

The C.C.F recommends that the above rates may be enhanced as follows. - p2 c1-

Re 0-3-0 per c.ft in rough or squared
and Re 0-4-6 " if sawn.

As the rates fixed under the seigniorage rules have to be enhanced, the C.C.F says that orders of the Govt have to be obtained. The Bd may submit the reports of the C.C.F and the Collrs and ~~request them to issue suitable~~ recommend the Collr's proposal for approval. amendments to the Madras Forest Manuals. After orders of the Govt are received, the Collr may be asked to fix suitable rates, within the maximum proposed by the C.C.F, in the District for the 3 groups of villages, with the ~~concurrence of the C.C.F. for orders~~.

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KN
28/5/41
31/5.

N may be approved.
For orders.

For report I call

C.C.V.
JUN 1941

this proposeing but send the papers to Govt
say that the proposal appears to be unacceptable
because it sets an example of
profiteering which ~~is against~~ Govt is
trying to prevent in an undue way.

5/6/41

To Asst (Cl)

Draft subtd.

CS 6/6

KN 6/6/41 6/6

psc 6/6 B. 2440. From The Collr of S Kanara d-17/5/41

ppl 2 cf The previous report of the Collr

p2 cf was recd thro' the C.C.F. The present repor

A may be forwarded to him for remarks.

~~Draft subtd~~.

KN 20/6. A - This is unnecessary. As the Board has

p3 cf already expressed its views to the Govt that the

CS 20.6.41 Coll's proposal is unacceptable, the Coll's present

letters may be submitted to the Govt in continuation

of the Bd's Rep cat p3 cf. For orders.

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To Asst (Cl)

Draft subtd.

KN 24/6 24.6

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R. D. G.Gen. Mis 1793 d. 6.8.41.

The G.O may be (records as it has been) communicated to the Govt. (draft subtd at p. 9 cf) &c. as we have not received the BC's views on the proposal to raise the peripheral fee in Khadi cases is unacceptable because of lack of any element of profiteering which &c. are basic to the criminal. They rested cc. 65 0-3-0 — 201-0-4-0.

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4. Initials								

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Joint Secretary.

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Note:-- Entries not required to be scored out.